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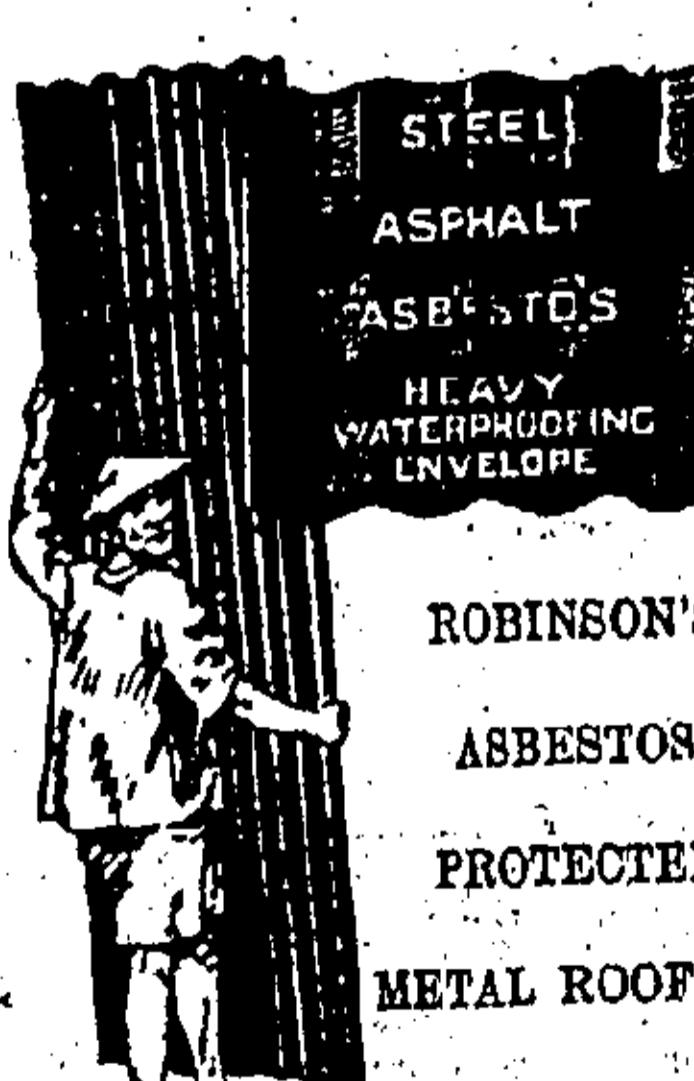
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NOTABLE VISITOR.
CAPTAIN ROBERT DOLLAR HERE.
ROMANTIC CAREER.**Lumber-Jack to Shipping Magnate.**

Arriving in the Colony to-day by the s.s. President McKinley is Captain Robert Dollar, the millionaire shipping magnate, who rose to his present position from that of a lumber-jack and who has become a national hero through the writings of Peter Kyne in whose books he figures as "Cappy Ricks."

Notable Career.

Captain Robert Dollar's ability in connection with the organisation of a vast shipping concern is not the only thing which has commanded him to the American people and made him almost a national hero. He has interested himself in the maintenance of good relations between America and the nations of the world, particularly China, and he was one of the first prominent American citizens to be approached regarding recognition of the Chinese Republic in 1911.

His genial and forceful personality is better known to the general public however, through the medium of the popular writer Peter Kyne, who has made of him his hero "Cappy Ricks," figuring in a series of widely read stories dealing with life in the lumber fields. He was a lumber-jack that Captain Robert Dollar first commenced his struggle with life and although his clever dealings since his sudden rise to prosperity have stamped him as a man who was bound to rise very considerably from that estate it was a stroke of luck which first set his foot upon the ladder of success. As a stranded skipper in the Philippines he discovered opium, the industry in which has resulted in fabulous profits.

Every reader of fiction knows "Cappy Ricks" and loves the character that has "put across" so many clever deals and who brings to bear an inexhaustible supply of humour in his numerous logging operations. The real Captain Dollar's achievements, however, by no means stop short at this. The value in which he was held as a diplomat is shown by the fact that, after the Republic of China was established, happening to be in China at the time, he was the recipient of a cable from President Taft asking him to go to Peking for a conference with Mr. Calhoun, American Minister, to discuss the situation and the desirability or otherwise of recognition.

Shanghai Strike.

Captain Dollar was interviewed whilst in Shanghai last week on the present situation there and stated that he was firmly of the belief that a foreign inspiration was really at the bottom of it. He had not had the opportunity to investigate the causes behind the present situation but from its outward manifestations it displayed Bolshevik tendencies which had been present in strikes in almost every country under the sun in recent years since leaders of the Soviet got control of Russia and started out to overturn the whole world to their way of thinking.

Captain Dollar is still confident that his advice in favour of recognition of the Republic of China by America will be justified and thinks

it is only a question of a short time before China will become one of the great nations of the world. As proof of this he pointed to shipping figures at the ports and also to the growing tonnage of ships cleared at the Panama Canal, which he described as proof of his contention that the era of the Pacific Ocean was now at hand.

Questioned in Shanghai as to the recent purchase of the U.S. Government passenger ships previously operated by the Pacific Mail Company, Captain Dollar said that the prosperity of his Company was so inextricably bound up with that of the various countries about the Pacific Ocean that fears which had been expressed of an American shipping monopoly had no foundation in fact. If China, Japan, the Hawaiian Islands and the Philippines were not prosperous how could his company be prosperous? he asked. It was only through co-operation that both interests could succeed.

HEAVY RAINS.**Water Supply Benefits.****RESERVOIRS OVERFLOW.****LATEST DETAILS ABOUT DAMAGE.**

Considerably less rain fell during the twenty-four hours ending at 6 o'clock this morning than had fallen during the same period yesterday morning but the reservoirs have registered several inches increases. Pokfulam, Wongneichong and Tytam Intermediate reservoirs from being in the neighbourhood of 25 feet below overflow (as they were on the 15th) have now reached overflow and others are approaching that way.

The amount of water that was received in the reservoirs during the twenty-four hours ending 6 o'clock this morning, also that which fell in the corresponding period yesterday, is as follows:

15th, 16th, 17th.

Kowloon 2.76 3.50

Pokfulam 2.20 4.05

Wongneichong 15.50 6.00

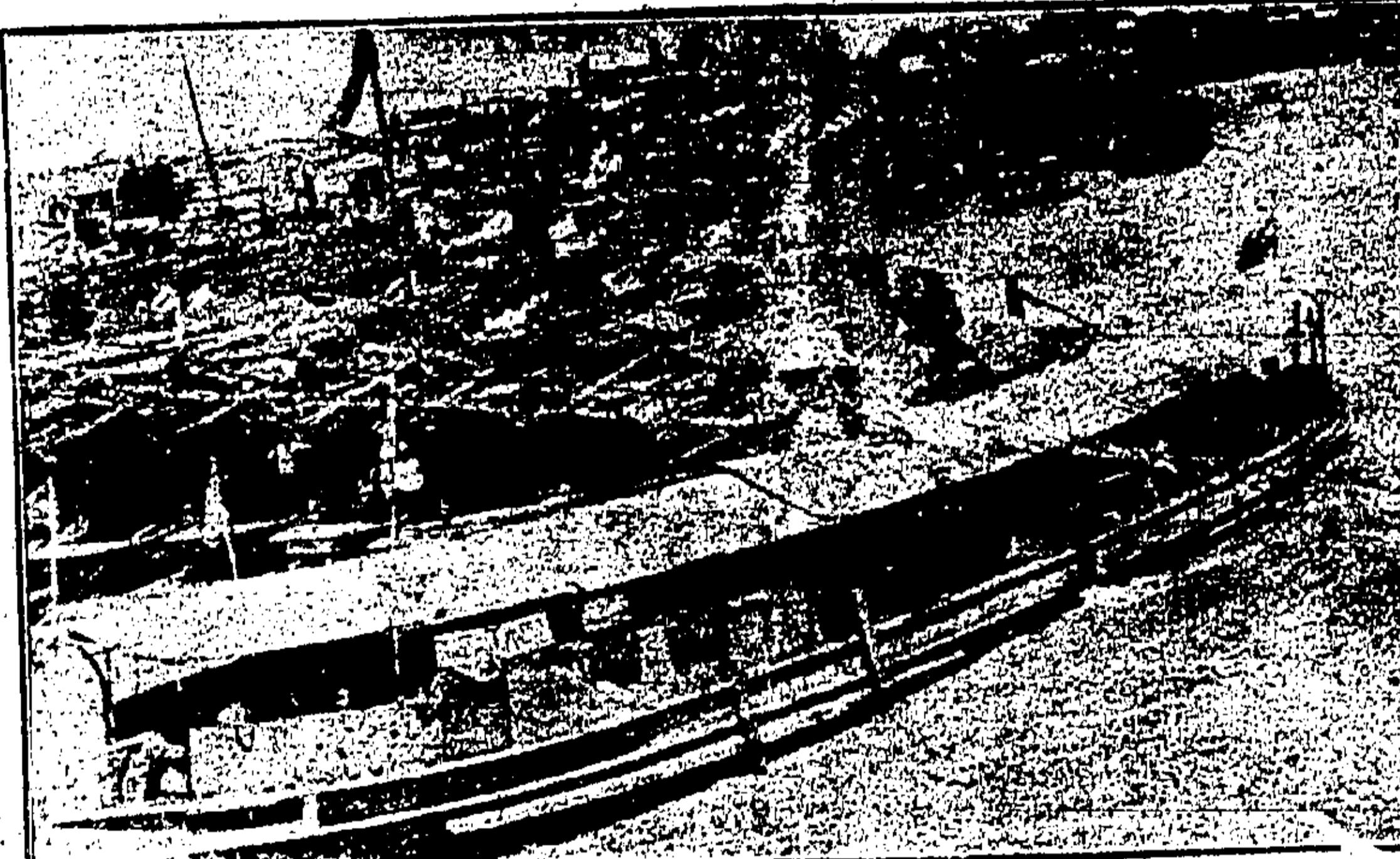
Tytam 13.84 4.10

Tytam Tuk 12.27 4.77

An idea of the great benefit the rains have been in respect of stored water may be obtained from the fact that on the 15th, the Kowloon reservoir was 24 ft. 6 in.

Mr. Looker pointed out that from the list published in the Press, apparently no ships were at present stationed at the coast ports.

Mr. Samuel expressed the opinion that the list only referred to British ships, not to the ships of other Powers. He promised to bring the matter before the Admiralty at the earliest moment.

THE CANTON FIGHTING READY FOR ATTACK.

In the foreground is one of the Kuomintang's armed launches which put out from Honan last Friday and successfully invaded Canton. The side is protected by iron plates over which are placed wet sacks to prevent the vessel catching fire. In the lower left hand corner is a machine gun on the bow of the launch. Behind are a fleet of naval craft, flying the "Fook" Army flag, which assisted in transporting the Cantonese troops across the River. This photo was taken after the fleet had put out into the stream.

OBITUARY.**MR. THOMAS BLANCH.****A WELL-KNOWN PERSONALITY.**

Those who were personally acquainted with Mr. N. F. Blanch whilst he was in Hongkong and the Far East between 1906 and 1920, also many others who have reason to remember his kindly and courteous advice while he was Far Eastern General Manager of Thos. Cook and Son, Ltd., at his office in Pall Mall, will regret to hear of his untimely death. At the time of his death Mr. Blanch was slightly over 50 years of age.

The Far Eastern offices of Thomas Cook and Sons were founded by Mr. Blanch and when headquarters were established in Hongkong in 1915 he remained in charge there until he left for home in no too good health at the end of 1920.

Prior to coming out East Mr. Blanch (who was an old Eton boy) had been with Thomas Cook and Son in Egypt.

Mr. Blanch leaves a widow.

TROOPS HERE
TO BE SENT TO THEIR HOMES.**CANTON NOW QUIET.**

About eight Yunnanese soldiers and camp-followers who made their way down to Hongkong when their side was defeated in Canton last week have been taken into the care of the Yunnanese Police. They will be repatriated at an early date.

A large number of Yunnanese troops are stated to be still held as prisoners of war at Whampoa.

Canton is reported quiet.

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STRIKE TROUBLE.**QUESTIONS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.****PROTECTING FOREIGNERS.****A Bolshevik Shot At Hankow.**

The safety of foreigners in China was the subject of questions in the House of Commons yesterday by a former Hongkong resident.

"Delicate Matter."

Mr. Will Thorne asked whether the trouble was decreasing or increasing.

Mr. Samuel expressed the opinion that the loss, said at present about this very delicate matter—the better.

A Bolshevik Shot.

Hankow, June 17. Though there was no incident overnight and the situation remained quiet throughout the day, the atmosphere is not yet clearing and it would appear that the present troubles will be rather protracted.

Of seven Bolshevik agitators arrested by the Chinese authorities one—Dr. Haiso Yin-yishih—was shot by them this morning.

The British Cigarette Company's workers resumed work this morning.

Incited by Students.

Students are urging the foreign employed Chinese to strike and appealing to the Merchants' Guild to support the strikers.

The Military Governor has posted guards in the foreign quarter. All is quiet.

Protection on Railways.

Peking June 17. The Ministry for Communications, in a circular telegram, orders special protection to be given to all foreign employees and foreign travellers on the railways. It instructs the railway police chiefs to despatch efficient police for this special purpose.

In a previous order the Ministry instructed foreign employers to remain at their posts and carry on their usual work.

Measures in Peking.

Peking, June 17. It is understood that the foreign authorities have made representations to the Government adequately to protect foreigners.

At a meeting of the Cabinet Ministers, the Chief of Police and the Commander of the Precautionary Force discussed measures yesterday. As a result numbers of Feng Yu-hsiang's troops are patrolling the city and special guards have been placed outside the principal foreign firms' offices and residences.

Chang Tso-jin has despatched troops to Peking to-day, and the first companies arrived this afternoon, occupying the Yellow Temple outside the North Gate. In some quarters doubt is expressed whether these forces can cooperate with those of Feng Yu-hsiang.

Suggested Conference.

London, June 15. The Association of British Chambers of Commerce has forwarded the Premier a resolution urging the Government to arrange at the earliest possible moment with the other Powers interested a conference with representatives of the different provinces of China with a view to establishing a permanent satisfactory settlement in China.

A SCHOOL'S TRIBUTE.**ADDRESS ON SILK FOR GOVERNOR.****TO DAY'S CEREMONY.**

An interesting ceremony took place this morning at Government House, when the Elders of the Pat Heung Valley, New Territories, forming the Committee of management of the Tung Yik Vernacular School, were received by Sir Edward Stubb, and presented a framed complimentary address on silk to His Excellency on the occasion of his departure. The school was opened by His Excellency in 1927, when it started with some 50 pupils. It now has 90 pupils and is in receipt of an annual Government grant—a record of its usefulness. Four Elders presented the address in the presence of the Hon. the Secretary for Education, the Hon. Mr. Kedwell, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shan-yan, and the District Officer.

Stanley and Kepuise Bay, the section of the road is closed to traffic at present.

The rear portion of two old buildings at Tokwawan collapsed last night owing to the ploughing back of the hillside. The school and residence of the parents of the deceased, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shan-yan, and the District Officer, continue to stand upright.

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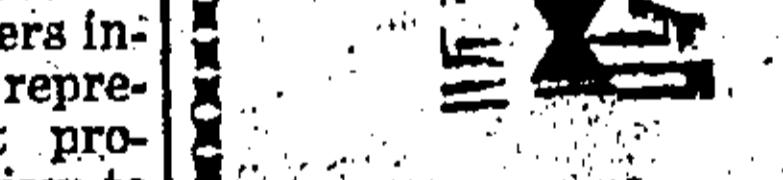
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R. C. WITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, June 15, 1925.

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

From this date and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. W. E. Smith is appointed Acting General Manager of the Society.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1925.

NOTICE.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

From this date and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. W. E. Smith is appointed Acting General Manager of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1925.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

From this date and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. W. E. Smith is appointed Acting General Manager of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1925.

NOTICE.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

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"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	2nd July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"TACPORE"	5,183	9th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"DELTA"	6,097	11th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp & Hull
"KASHMIR"	8,068	11th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"LAHORE"	5,525	11th July	Marseilles & London
"MANTO"	10,094	18th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"SOUDAN"	6,696	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	6,005	26th Aug.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"BICILIA"	6,113	2nd Sept.	Marseilles and London
"MACEDONIA"	11,085	1st Sept.	Marseilles and London
"NARKUNDA"	6,127	1st Sept.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"KHYBER"	6,114	1st Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARAVAN"	6,014	3rd Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"SOUDAN"	6,698	15th Oct.	Marseilles & London
"HALVAN"	11,741	17th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"BICILIA"	6,832	26th Oct.	Marseilles, London, and Antwerp
"KARAVAN"	6,133	21st Oct.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"MANUA"	10,062	14th Nov.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"KALYAN"	8,444	28th Nov.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,911	12th Dec.	Marseilles and London

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	TONS	FROM HONGKONG (ABOUT)	DESTINATION
"TILAWA"	10,000	10th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALAMBA"	6,018	14th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKLWA"	7,938	23rd July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAIREA"	7,938	27th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

ESTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

	TONS	FROM HONGKONG (ABOUT)	DESTINATION
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th July	Aden, Suez, Dakar, Thursday
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th July	Lindau, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne
"TANDA"	6,930	2nd Sept.	do
"ARAFURA"	5,000	14th Oct.	do
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"TAKLWA"	7,936	5th July	Kobe
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	7th July	Singapore, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHGAR"	6,005	10th July	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,696	10th July	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
"TAIREA"	7,938	11th July	Kobe
"MACEDONIA"	11,085	24th July	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
"SICILIA"	6,813	24th July	Singapore and Kobe
"KHYBER"	6,114	7th Aug.	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
"TANDA"	6,938	8th Aug.	Moj, Kobe & Yokohama
"DELTA"	8,047	21st Aug.	Moj, Kobe & Yokohama
"HAKKUNDA"	10,257	21st Aug.	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
"BARWA"	6,938	21st Aug.	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
"ARAFURA"	6,000	15th Sept.	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
"TALAMBA"	10,941	15th Sept.	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
"SOUDAN"	6,698	18th Sept.	Singapore, Moji & Kobe
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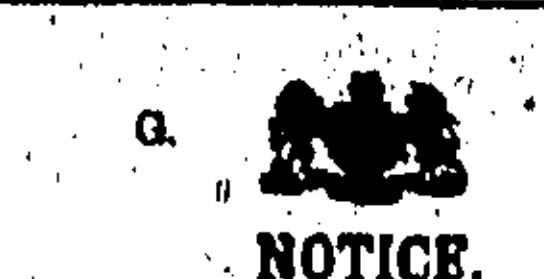
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The Lists, which have been

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By Order,

JOHN FLEMING,
Acting Secretary.

H. K. GENERAL CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The B. F. ss "Rhodes" arrived at Boston on June 16.

The B. I. s.s. "Gloria" left Singapore for this port on June 11 at 2.30 p.m. and due here to-day.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pre. McKinley," which is due at this port to-day, sailed from Seattle on May 27 on schedule.

The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" is due at Kobe to-day at 8 p.m.

The N.Y.R. s.s. "Akt Maru" (Australian-Passenger Line) left Thursday stand for Hongkong via Manila on June 6 and is expected here to-day.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" is due at Kowloon on June 6 and is expected here to-day.

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DEATH.

B L A N C H . At Home. Mr. Norman F. Blanch, until three or four years ago, Far Eastern General Manager of Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd. (By Cable).

Hongkong, Wednesday, June 17, 1925.

WANTON AND COLD-BLOODED.

It is difficult to see how the wanton murder of a British subject, Mr. Mackenzie, in Shanghai, can further the ends of the students, rioters, and strikers. In fact, it can only have the opposite effect, for it will most undoubtedly stiffen the determination of the Municipal Council to reject all manner of compromise. Furthermore, it will strengthen the Powers in the stand that they have taken against Bolshevik-inspired mob rule in the International Settlement.

Taking the fact as cabled by Reuter there is not one solitary feature justifying the use of arms against a defenceless British subject engaged in the very innocent occupation of taking a motor drive with a young lady. There was absolutely nothing bearing the slightest resemblance to a state of emergency, as was the case when the mob forced back the Police toward the Police Station on May 30. No term can adequately describe it except wanton, cold-blooded, brutal, unprovoked, premeditated murder.

The facts of the case are so simple that any other conclusion is quite impossible. The British Consul General has lodged a vigorously worded protest with the Civil Governor and the Foreign Commissioner against the murder. This of course is only a first step, but it is important that our government should take a stand in this matter. We must not let this man who has been found guilty get away with his life.

It was the senior Chaplain of the Cathedral who, after seeing "Saint Joan" suggested that a Chair of Dramatic Art at the University might well be instituted and that Mr. Sinclair might become its first occupant. There was no response to that original and clear-sighted suggestion. Hongkong, in a collective sense at any rate, has no artistic feelings. It could not see that the suggestion was far from being utopian and that it had "about it an immense potentiality for good apart from its artistic significance." Toronto now claims Mr. Sinclair and as Director of the Hart Theatre there is future to be watched with interest for surely it is not likely that the Chinese would be able to find a man who has found Hongkong to be

who feel keenly in such matters has this satisfaction: that in the decade and more which has gone, there was evidence of that striving after theatre righteoussness which, in spite of the perfection of "Saint Joan," has yet to reach its ultimate height. No matter what was attempted—whether a comedy of the type of "I'll Leave It to You"—a modern conception of "The Tempest"—or those things of colour "Kismet" and the Dunsany plays—there was brought to bear on every production a well thought out scheme; an intense practical enthusiasm, and a devotion to duty that carried conviction and imbued his colleagues to a remarkable degree.

To a perfect knowledge of stagecraft, there was allied a perfect knowledge of acting—an almost uncanny perception of the finer points of the thing being produced. It will be seen that Mr. Sinclair brings to his duties at the Hart Theatre, Toronto, considerable experience and enthusiasm. There will go with him the best wishes of those who find in the art of the theatre entertainment and education and who believe it still has mission in life. Our University has its own problems to solve and the day may not be yet for a Chair of Dramatic Art. The time may come when such a thing will be a matter of practical politics. We trust its first occupant may be Mr. W. Sinclair.

Why Juries? Cases now proceeding in the Supreme Court are being taken without a jury. The law does not require a jury for the class of case being decided and doubtless judge, counsel and potential jurors are not at all sorry. The possibility of having to attend as a juror is the only public duty imposed on the Hongkong resident, and it is one that he doubtless despises and would willingly forego. He is willing to let legal issues be argued and decided by legal minds, certain in the belief of the justice that will fall to those most intimately concerned. An incident has occurred at Home which it is felt brings the jury system into a little disrepute, and seems to prove that preconceived views or feelings are likely to weigh more with a jury than are the unquestioned facts of a case. The incident was in relation to the kidnapping of a prominent member of the Communist party at Home by five British Fascists. The facts of the case were not seriously disputed. The Communist was dragged from a railway train, forced into a motor car, driven away, and detained for a night. In summing up the judge made it quite clear that in the eyes of British law each individual is entitled to justice. Yet in spite of this "hint" and the facts of the case, the jury, after an absence of twenty minutes, brought in a verdict of "not guilty" and the defendants were discharged. It is considered a huge joke, so regarded by jurors with anti-Communist views; but the fact remains that the jurors waived the legal aspect of the matter in coming to their decision, which has been described as a "serious and disquieting occurrence."

No such incidents as this mar the record of local juries; but those who have sat as such and listened for hours to various cross-examinations and summings-up, and have gone to a room with a conglomeration of facts and doubts, would doubtless be glad to be relieved from a duty which can be at times very onerous and very irksome.

Messrs. Donnelly and Whyte, have received advices from Messrs. Wm. Gaymer and Son Ltd., stating that they have secured the contract for the supply of their Cyder to the Hongkong Pavilion at the British Exhibition, Wembley.

A Chinese was found dead in Wing Lok Street last night with some electric wire entangled round his body. The man is believed to have been electrocuted by coming in contact with fallen wires.

TO-DAYS SMILE.



Will the ice break?
We shall see.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

"Went off like an arrow," "straight THAT WILL as a dart," NEVER DIE straight as a die," hungry as a huter." Who would ever think of coining these phrases now as a result of our own experience?

Then take all the common similes derived from the beasts—"as ugly as a toad," "as hungry as a hawk," "as sleepy as an owl," "as merry as a lark," "as sulky as a bear," and so forth. All these the townsmen, who represent nowadays so large a proportion of the population, repeats glibly, but he is taking all his knowledge at second-hand. We have had a hundred years of railroads, but how few expressions has popular speech borrowed from them. "Off the rails," "fullsteam ahead," and possibly, but doubtfully, "express speed" are all that readily occur to me. Will the mechanical age bring in new proverbial expressions? Will our sons talk of "noisy as an atmospheric," "drunk as a skidding car," or "cheery as a char-a-banc"? Will the phrases slip out in ordinary conversation just as we might say, "cheery as a cricket," even though we very seldom now either hear or see crickets? It seems unlikely.

There has been a great deal of trouble with iceburglers in the Arctic recently.

Mrs. Eliza Knagg was prosecuted at Bow Street for driving without a licence. Evidence was given that she had nearly driven her husband to distraction.

"OUR BOY'S COATS ARE NOW 19s. ID."

This, of course, is quite innocuous; but the other day, in a shop very near to the other, the following notice of a sale was seen:—

"NAVY BLUE SUITS FOR 3 GUINEAS LAST 2 WEEKS"

MARGOT ASQUITH AS A TRAVELLER.

Reviewing "Places and Persons," by Margot Asquith, Countess of Oxford and Asquith, J. M. Bullock writes in the "Sunday Times" that as Margot Asquith—it is awkward to call her Mrs.—can always say with Ulysses, "I am a part of all that I have met," her new book is much more than a record of travel, while it is less a memoir than its immediate predecessors. It consists of jottings on journeys made to Egypt via Italy in 1923, and America in 1922—Spain in 1923, and Italy in 1924, with some "reflections upon life as I see it in 1925" by way of epilogue. But through it all runs the authentic Margot, intensely alive, and with a far deeper understanding than is usually supposed of what the theologians call eschatology, for even in 1901 she wrote:—"I never forget death, not for one moment of the day." Behind and beneath all her fluttering gaiety, which scintillates with sides—thus she tells us incidentally that she took dancing lessons from Letty Lind—there is always an idea and sometimes an awed note, as when she says of the spellbound wonder created in her by seeing the Colosseum:—"The earth seems to have sighed so deeply that she shook off all her ornaments."

At almost every step she brings out the characteristics in herself. This spirit was particularly roused when she reached Cairo, and still more when she struck the desert:—

If I were surrounded by the right colouring and allowed to read and make love in the sun, I could be intensely happy. I was born out of doors, but, though a gipsy in some ways, I know no one upon whom dirt, ugliness, discomfort, and un punctuality jar so much. A mixture of city clerk, a post office woman, and a wandering circus girl.

BEING AMERICA. When she left Egypt in January, 1892, her mother, who had accompanied her, said of her sister Charlotte, afterwards Lady Ribblesdale:—"I believe if she had to go to New York to-morrow morning she would pack up and be quite ready to start." It took Mrs. Asquith exactly thirty years to a day to start for the States of Liberty, only to find, after a whirlwind tour of thirteen weeks, that in spite of the generosity and kindness, there is an "undercurrent of illiberalism and ferocity" in the United States. Her tour there is too recent to be recounted in detail. As in everything she writes, there is an astonishing amount of frankness about her observations—even to the extent of recounting her failures on the platform—which should offend no one who thinks seriously of things, though she is quite conscious that Americans are "nationally vain." Here are some of the "reflections":—

The book is so saturated with obiter dicta—though she says that brilliance always exhausts her—that one could quote from it by the column. Here are some typical examples:—

Nothing devours time like regularity of life.

Italian music is insultingly obvious and has no argument whatever.

It is a difficult problem, this matter of life, but I am sure you must face ideals and not fidget with them. People should be a study. Pleasure an interruption. Work a consolation, and Hope a duty.

I have no doubt that if Christ were to come down on earth tomorrow He would be exposed to a more modern form of crucifixion.

The ingrained ideas that, because there is no King, and they despise titles, the Americans are a free people, is pathetically untrue. There is a pernicious interference with personal liberty over there that would not be tolerated here for a moment. In every city that I have visited there are eight thousand men responsible to no one or no body—no middle class, no middle class, no middle class, and in these are rich and poor Americans will

Madame Scott, the celebrated medium, arrived in New York by the "Morganatic" and was met by Prohibition agents who charged her with bringing spirits into the country.

A sensation was caused at Dingle Dell by the arrest of the mayor, who has been accused of poaching eggs.

Forging is becoming very prevalent among blacksmiths in the Midlands.

William Choppin, a workman engaged in road-making beside the River Dee, has been arrested for breaking into the bank.

Many people were pleased when the "Truth in Advertising" campaign was inaugurated, but one sometimes feels that one can have too much even of truth. Some weeks ago Manchester people were cheered by the sight of an advertisement which read:—

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never have a true sense of proportion. It is enormously to the credit of the American public that they have never chosen a man of bad character for a President.

THE SUNNY SPANISH SHORE. She found in 1923 that the progress of America is "not so interesting as the backwardness of Spain," though she could not bring herself to see the backwardness of the bull-ring. Her refusal gave her a chance to answer the usual *tu quoque* argument about hunting:—

There is health in fox-hunting, and even shooting trees idle men, which ensures a certain morality. A good many qualities are brought out in riding straight across a big country, and a fox always has a chance to escape.

Most of her quarry are, indeed, like reynard to her, but when Mr. Lloyd George is in the ring she is picador, toreador, and matador combined, for, all forgetful of her usual artistic detachment, she even tells the straying Frenchman from whom she bought fruit and sweets in Paris on her way back from Madrid, that his "absence of principle, incapacity for straightforward dealing, and pathetic ignorance of foreign affairs had brought a dazzling career into extinction."

The acidic topicality of the anger jars in a book which has claims far beyond mere journalism, and its absence from the index seems to show that the writer feels the same.

The visit to Italy last year—profoundly of the remark that there is something in the quality of stone in Rome which makes it look like coarse linen of the time of Queen Elizabeth—is chiefly interesting for her encounter with Mussolini, with whom she spoke in French. Having seen many "pocket Napoleons," she decides that he is a "very rare man."

No one can doubt that Mussolini, in spite of fundamental defects, has done great things for Italy. My fear for him would be that, like all converts or perverts, his new faith may make him forgetful of his old and this is a great danger.

MOROCCO FIGHTING.

FRANCE AND SPAIN JOIN FORCES.
NAVIES WORK TOGETHER.

French Skirmishes Strengthen Front.

As the first step in the joining of forces France and Spain have instructed their navies to work together in watching the entire Moroccan coast.

PREMIER'S TOUR.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, June 16. A message from Fez states that the entire front in the Wezzan sector has been consolidated following a series of skirmishes in which the French were victorious. M. Painlevé told the Cabinet that Franco-Spanish co-operation



had already begun under a provisional agreement whereby the warships of the two powers will watch the entire Moroccan coast.

Cabinet Pleased.

Paris, June 16. M. Painlevé gave M. Doumergue and the Cabinet Minister an account of his journey and the

FRANCE'S PRESIDENT.



measures decided upon to minimise the duration and risks of the operations.

The Cabinet Ministers unanimously thanked the Premier.

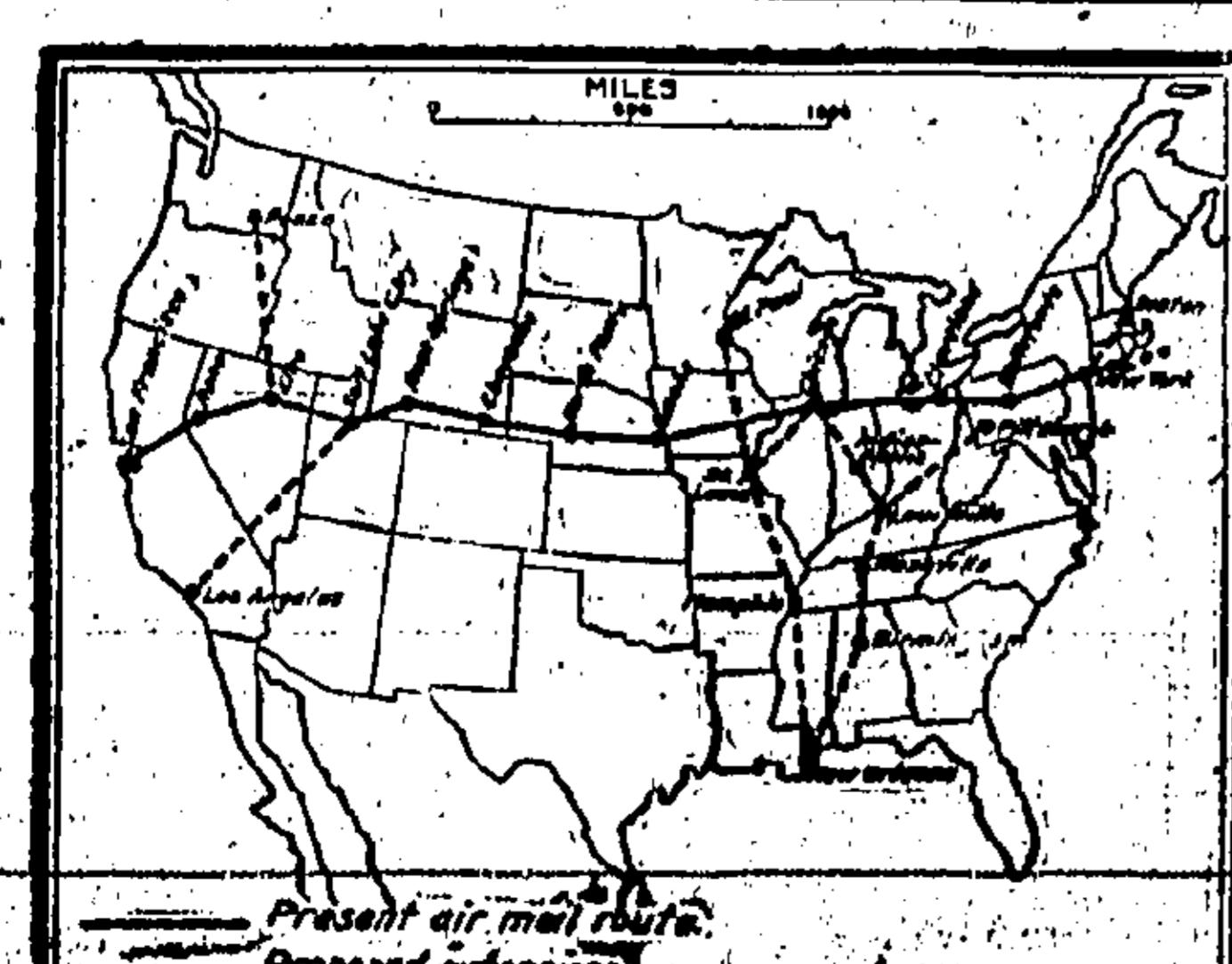
The Minister of Marine announced that in accordance with the Government's instructions

PRINCE OF WALES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cape Town, Transvaal, June 16. The Prince of Wales has concluded his tour of Natal after a visit to the Boer war battlefield. His welcome by the population was equally warm as that received at the Cape and the Free State. His Royal Highness proceeded to Swaziland where he attended a gathering of thousands of Swazi warriors in full war paint at Mbabane and subsequently entered the Transvaal.

Paris, June 16.—French imports in the first five months of 1925 totalled 15,245,000 francs and 18 tons and the exports to 18,117,000 francs and 12 tons.—Havas.



AIR MAIL EXTENSIONS. Beginning July 1, there will be no additional fee for returning the International Air Mail service to other countries. Services will be set up with Mexico, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Panama, and Venezuela. The International Air Mail service will also be restored in a few days.

EXPRESS SMASH.

Twenty-Nine People Killed.

TRAGIC SCENES.

TERIBLE THUNDERSTORM DISASTER.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Admiral Nallier had visited... the Spanish admiral and the French warships now in territorial waters of the Riff.

Earlier Cables.

Paris, June 16. A communiqué from Fez states that the situation in the west is improving, and thanks to the activity of the French detachments the rebels are dispersing to the north of Wezzan.



Further east the enemy continues to make unsuccessful demonstrations against Tafrout.

The rebels have reinforced their centre and renewed their attacks on Taounat but our forces apparently have the upper hand. The position in the east is unchanged.

STRIKE LOOTING.

(Reuter's Service.)

SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA, June 16. The disturbances in the Cape Breton coalfield continue in spite of the presence in the strike area of over seven hundred troops.

The incendiaries, who are active at several points, last night destroyed number of buildings near Sydney, including a powder magazine. The Federal Labour Minister, Hon. James Murdoch, arrived, and, is endeavouring to mediate.

Ottawa, June 16.—Further looting has occurred in the Nova Scotia strike area. The Officer Commanding has requested immediate despatch of additional troops, although during the past few days practically all the available permanent forces in Ontario Quebec and Nova Scotia have been sent to the scene of the disturbances. The Labour Minister, Mr. Murdoch, at the request of the miners and employers, has gone to mediate.

Reuter's American Service.

INSECT PESTS.

PROBLEMS FOR TWENTY NATIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, June 16. The delegates of over twenty countries were present at the Imperial Entomological Conference presided over by Mr. Ormsby Gore, under Secretary of the Colonies, for the purpose of exchanging knowledge and co-ordinating measures for combating insect pests in different parts of the Empire.

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New York.

In the New York State Prison of Ossining just before midnight Morris and Joseph Diamond and John Farina, three typical hold-up men and thugs, were electrocuted for the murder at Brooklyn in November, 1923, of two bank messengers carrying over \$8,000 in cash. This trio belonged to the murderous coterie which, according to police report, was largely

Catholic chaplain, who recited the prayers for the dying. Farina shook the ash from his cigar, kissed the crucifix, and called "Good-bye all." In each case the method of execution was identical. The executioner was the old prison electrician, John Hurlburt, whose fee is £90—£30 for each man. Hurlburt in his time has sent 140 men to death through turning the electric switch.

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FRENCH DISASTER.

SAUSAGE BALLOON EXPLODES.

SOLDIERS BURNED.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, JUNE 15. A message from Coblenz states that a French sausage balloon exploded in mid-air. Fifteen soldiers were burned.

Five succumbed to their injuries and the others are in a grave condition.

THAT SECURITY PACT.

ITALY BIDES HER TIME.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, June 16. The Italian reply to the French communication regarding the security pact withholds a statement of views pending the receipt of Germany's reply and the definite opening of negotiations.

The reply observes that the Italian Government is in agreement with the French respecting the general principles of the pact.

The reply adds that the communication merely deals with the question of joint negotiations at the present situation of each country is not set forth very clearly.

[Berlin, June 16.—The French Ambassador has handed to Herr Stresemann the French reply to Germany's Security Pact Proposal. The reply will be published on June 18.]

SUDDEN DEATH.

SWARAJIST LEADER PASSES.

MR. C. R. DAS DEAD.

(Reuter's Service.)

BARLEELING, June 15. The death has taken place of Mr. C. R. Das, the Swarajist leader.

CALCUTTA, June 15. Though it was known Mr. Das was in indifferent health the news of his death came as a complete shock.

Particulars of his illness and death are lacking. The body is being forwarded here for cremation.

PARCELS POST.

GREAT WEIGHT SUGGESTION.

(Reuter's Service.)

In the House of Commons in answer to questions, Sir W. Mitchell Thomson, Postmaster General announced that all the postal administrations of the Empire and abroad, with a few exceptions, which accepted parcels not exceeding 11 lbs. weight had been invited to exchange with Britain parcels not exceeding 22 lbs. weight.

Sofia, June 16.—The latest victim of the Macedonian vendetta is M. Mihailoff, formerly one of the leading lieutenants of Todor Aleksandrov, famous Macedonian chieftain, who was assassinated last year. Two assassins had been arrested. —Reuters.

Paris, June 16.—M. Patalevs arrived from Morocco.

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"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE.

COUNTY CRICKET.

LANCASHIRE CHECKED AT LORD'S.

HOBBS AGAIN.

LAPEST RESULTS AND TABLE.

Yesterday saw an important stage in the county cricket struggle at home. Every county has been defeated at least once with the exception of Yorkshire who won the championship last year.

Thanks to the other counties pegging one another back, the Tykes now have a clear lead. With Middlesex beating Lancashire—the Red Rose county has been tipped by "Plum" Warner and has been in the first position for some time—after going down to Yorkshire (and, it should not be forgotten, Essex), the competition becomes exciting. After Yorkshire, the next three counties in the table are closer to one another and they will all be watching for Yorkshire's next step.

Kent go above Notts owing to the latter's defeat by Yorkshire (reported yesterday) and after the first six there is a big drop in percentage. Hampshire and Somerset seem to be making an effort to get out of the ruck but Sussex, who are without A. E. R. Gilligan's bowling (under medical orders) have much leeway to make up.

From now onwards each match will have more than normal interest for far away Hongkong with a thrill "when the surprise comes along."

Of the matches, the results of which are given below, the most important is the victory of Middlesex, at Lord's, thanks to big contributions from Hearne and Hendren (both Test Match players) who have again done well this season.

Hobbs has again found his form and is still making runs merrily. Watson, the Lancashire batsman has been performing consistently in several matches.

Perhaps the only surprise was the defeat of Sussex at Horsham by Somerset. Who are without several of last year's leading players.

Details follow:

The Lord's Match.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16. Middlesex, at Lord's, beat Lancashire by ten wickets. Scores:

Lancashire (1st innings) 237. Watson, F., scored 108. Durston, T. J., took 7 wickets for 47 runs. (Durston, who stands 6 ft. 5 in., was chosen to play against the Australians in 1921.)

Middlesex (1st innings) 336. Hearne, J. W., made 87 and Hendren, E., 142; Macdonald, E. A., the former Australian Test Match fast bowler, took 6 wickets for 145 runs.

Lancashire (2nd innings) 103. Nigel Haig took 4 wickets for 15 runs.

Middlesex (2nd innings) 8 runs for no wicket.

Surrey's Strong Batting.

At the Oval, Surrey beat Essex by 188 runs. Scores:

Surrey 446. Hobbs, J. B., who has already scored five centuries



P. G. H. Fender.

ALL SQUARE.

INTERNATIONAL TENNIS MATCH.

FIRST DAY'S GAMES.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, June 16. At Eastbourne, in the lawn tennis, Britain v. American (Wimbledon contingent) match on Davis Cup lines, i.e. four singles and one doubles, the first day's results were:

Casey (American) beat J. D. P. Wheatley (British) 6-0, 6-1, 6-3.

Gilbert (Britain) beat Hennessy (America) 6-2, 6-3, 7-5.

MILITARY SPORT.

GARRISON TENNIS LEAGUE.

The results of matches played in the Garrison Tennis League during the week ending June 13, were as follows:

R.E. "B" beat "A" Coy, East Surrey Regt. by 71 games to 28.

R.A.S.C. beat R.E. "A" by 62 to 37.

H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regt. beat Small Units by 65 to 34.

R.A.M.C. scratched to R.A.O.C. Cricket Final.

The final of the Garrison Cricket League competition, the 13th Heavy Battery, R.A., v. "C" Company, the 1st Bn., The East Surrey Regiment, is to be played to-morrow afternoon on the Indian Recreation Ground, Sookumpoo. Play will begin at 2 p.m. H. E. the General Officer Commanding the Forces in China (Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.), has consented to present the Challenge Cup and Medals to the winners at the conclusion of the match.

Tate to the Fore.

After leading on the first innings at Horsham, Sussex went down to Somerset by 76 runs. Scores:

Somerset 199. Young, A., made 86. Tate, M. W., took 5 wickets for 52 runs.

Sussex 213.

Somerset 230.

Sussex 140.

LEICESTER MOVE UP.

At Leicester, Leicestershire beat Gloucestershire by five wickets. Scores:

Gloucester 124. Astill, W. E., took 5 wickets for 21 runs.

Leicester 258.

Gloucester 252. Hammond, W. R., made 96.

Leicester 119 for 5 wickets.

Tonbridge Week.

Kent commenced their Tonbridge week in auspicious manner, trouncing Derbyshire by an innings and 32 runs. Scores:

Derby 99. Freeman, A. P., took 5 wickets for 35 runs.

Kent 448. Seymour, J., made 106 and Collins, G. C., 105 not out.

Derby 317. G. R. Jackson scored 127.

To-day's Fixtures.

Twelve of the first-class counties will be engaged in championship matches commencing to-day, the most important of which is probably that between Kent and Middlesex. The full list is:

Lord's—North v. South, Minor Counties (2 days).

Oval—Surrey v. Cambridge University.

Tonbridge—Kent v. Middlesex.

Huddersfield v. Glamorgan.

Leicester—Leicestershire v. Warwickshire.

Trent Bridge—Notts v. Worcestershire.

Brighton—Sussex v. Gloucestershire.

Leyton—Essex v. Lancashire.

COUNTY CRICKET.

Championship Table To Date.

	Won	Lost	Not	In	Out	Per-	Possible	Points	Per-
Yorkshire	9	8	0	0	1	45	41	91	1
Lancashire	10	7	1	2	0	150	41	82	00
Surrey	10	6	1	3	0	50	39	78	00
Middlesex	9	6	2	1	0	45	33	73	33
Kent	7	4	2	1	0	50	33	65	77
Notts	7	4	1	2	0	50	32	62	83
Essex	9	4	3	0	2	45	22	48	88
Hampshire	9	3	4	2	0	45	21	46	66
Northamptonshire	7	3	3	0	1	35	16	45	71
Somerset	10	3	5	2	0	50	21	42	00
Gloucestershire	11	4	1	0	2	55	22	40	00
Leicestershire	10	3	6	1	0	50	18	36	00
Sussex	10	3	5	0	2	50	17	34	00
Derbyshire	9	3	3	0	2	45	14	26	66
Worcestershire	10	2	0	0	0	50	10	20	00
Warwickshire	9	1	6	1	1	45	9	20	00
Glamorgan	6	4	0	2	0	50	0	0	00

MOTOR MENACE.

SHEAF OF CASES IN KOWLOON.

NUMBER OF CONVICTIONS.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. E. W. Hamilton had a busy day in disposing of a large number of traffic offences. Some of the summonses were adjourned. The first summons heard was against Dr. W. L. Thomas, who was charged with driving his motor car along Nathan Road without a rear light. The complainant being absent, the case was dismissed.

Mr. M. K. Lo appeared to defend Mr. and Mrs. Wu Pui-wah, who were charged on separate counts with breaches of traffic regulations.

The former was charged with alleged reckless driving of his motor car at Nathan Road on May 31.

It was stated that he was travelling at the rate of 25 to 30 miles without sounding his horn and narrowly missed some children on the roadway. Mr. Lo argued at length on the propriety of issuing a summons a fortnight after the alleged offence was committed and questioned the wording of the summons, which he said was very vague. He also objected to a suggestion from the Bench that the defendant's licence should be suspended pending an adjournment for one week. After preliminary evidence, the case was adjourned until next Tuesday.

Mrs. Wu-pui-wah was charged with failing to report an accident at Nathan Road on May 31. Her car was alleged to have knocked down two Chinese boys riding bicycles near the Kum Hing Knitting Factory. Mr. Lo, for the defence, pleaded not guilty. Mr. J. S. Willes, who witnessed the accident, stated in evidence that the car ran into the boys and drove away without stopping. Witness later made a report to the Police. The defendant admitted that a bicycle collided with the rear part of her car. As the two boys on the bicycles were not injured, she did not stop but merely slowed down. A fine of \$50 was imposed.

Mr. W. S. Hillier was charged with dangerous driving of his motor cycle in Nathan Road opposite the Po Hing Theatre and with failing to produce his licence. Evidence was given that he knocked down a Chinese who was standing in the roadway. Defendant claimed that the Chinese jumped from a motor bus preceding him without any warning and was knocked down by his cycle. The first charge was dismissed, but on the charge of failing to produce his licence a fine of \$5 was imposed.

MINOR CASES.

Mr. H. Duncan was fined \$5 for dangerous driving at Nathan Road. The defendant was stated to have been driving at the rate of 80 miles an hour, but he pleaded that as he had no speedometer he was not aware that he was going so fast.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on Mr. G. Margin for driving a motor car without an illuminated rear light.

The driver of a motor car belonging to Mr. P. C. Potts was fined \$5 for disregarding traffic signals near the "Star" Ferry wharf.

For causing obstruction by leaving his motor cycle unattended outside Nathan House, Mr. F. Dunn was fined \$5.

A CENTRAL CASE.

At the Central Magistracy, Mr. B. Pasco was fined \$2 for driving a motor car without a proper driver's licence. The case arose out of an accident which occurred last month when Mr. Pasco collided with a tramcar. In imposing the fine, the Magistrate remarked that he was dealing with him leniently as Mr. Pasco had been injured.

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Early yesterday morning the authorities responsible for the Chinese sector telephoned from Canton that a train was leaving for Kowloon, but this did not get through to Shanghai until 11 p.m. There were very few passengers.

The British section are reciprocating and on the running of trains leaving Kowloon to-day will depend whether or not a regular service of slow (third class) trains will be established. A through fast train (first class) service, however, can not be resumed so easily although hopes are expressed that this will be only a question of a comparatively short time.

There were few matters of public interest at the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board held yesterday afternoon. Mr. W. L. Smith presided, the members present being Dr. W. W. Pearce (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Dr. J. C. Macrae, Mr. S. Tsao and Mr. C. Kennedy.

Mr. Skipton (Secretary), with Mr. Davies (Assistant Secretary), it was decided to refer an application for an extension of the lease of an apartment to the Sanitary Board.

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SHANGHAI MURDER.

TO-DAY'S EARLIER CABLES.

MR. MACKENZIE'S DEATH.

TRAGIC SETBACK TO CALM.

(Reuter's Service)

Shanghai, June 15.

The growing calm of Shanghai was tragically set back last night by the murder and wounding of Britons. Mr. William Mackenzie, of the Municipal Electricity Department, motored with Miss Duncan, of the Amos Bird Co., outside the Settlement limits, starting at nine o'clock. Entering Great Western Road extension, a naval patrol stopped the car and warned the occupants that a trench had been dug across the road. The car turned back and entered Keswick Road, but had only proceeded two hundred yards when seven Chinese dressed as coolies barred its progress, stopping the car.

Mackenzie got out and asked what the Chinese wanted. The latter turned on flashlights and fired a revolver shot, missing Mackenzie, who rushed back and started the car under a fusilade. Mackenzie was hit in the jugular vein and fell forward, saying "I'm shot; I'm dying."

Miss Duncan though wounded in both arms grasped the steering wheel and drove off, endeavouring to uphold her dying companion.

Ran into a Ditch.

Though inexperienced, Miss Duncan controlled the car and proceeded for a thousand yards, when in mistake she entered a new road under construction and went head on into a six foot ditch. Miss Duncan shouted and screamed; but failing to attract attention, left the derelict car and ran to a house adjoining the American Columbia Club, which was occupied by two Shanghai Volunteers who communicated with the police.

Miss Duncan was conveyed to hospital. Her wounds are not serious. Medical men assert that Mr. Mackenzie died a few seconds after the police found him on the roadside with twelve .32 calibre bullets in his body. Municipal coolies guarding the first trench assert that the assassins quickly fled in the direction of Fahwah village in Chinese territory.

The local papers assert that the so-called Chinese Merchant Volunteers dug the Western Road trench yesterday afternoon. This force, which the Chapel authorities previously maintained, consists of ex-soldiers, now principally controlled by the strikers.—Reuter.

LATER.

Mr. Sidney Barton, the Consul General this morning vigorously protested to the Civil Governor and the Foreign Commissioner against the murder of Mackenzie.—Reuter.

Britain's Note.

LONDON, June 16. The tone of the British reply to the Chinese Note is commended in the "London Press," whose comments stress the necessity of prompt and firm action.

The "Daily Telegraph" suggests the early convocation of a Chinese Customs Commission, provided for by the Washington decisions.

Several papers demand severance of diplomatic relations with Russia, as being primarily responsible for the troubles.

The "Daily Mail" advocates proceeding in close and cordial co-operation with Japan, who has acted with the utmost loyalty; has ample forces on the spot and thoroughly understands the position.

Tension Decreases.

PEKING, June 16. Barricades were erected around the Legation entrances and guards were increased on Sunday night. Barbed wire entanglements were also erected in view of the reports of possible anti-foreign riots that night, which, however, did not eventuate.

The same precautions were continued, yesterday, in view of the large demonstration, but the entanglements were removed and the guards reduced last evening.

[Note: It is quite evident that the above message refers to the Chinese guards, posted at the entrance to the Legation Quarters by the Chinese Government in times of emergency.]

Swatow Affected.

SHANGHAI, June 16. The British Consul at Swatow last evening telegraphed that a general strike had begun and naval protection was required. Consequently, H.M.S. "Bluebell" has been sent to Swatow.

H.M.S. "Hawkins" has arrived at Nanking and has landed marines to protect the cold storage.

Kuling is undisturbed and Kui-kiang is quiet. The American destroyer "Stewart" has landed a party of U.S. marines to co-operate in the defense of the concession.

A message from Wuhan states that there have been anti-foreign meetings, but no disturbances.

A telegram from Hankow announces the arrival of H.M.S.S. "Hollyhock" and "Dartmouth" with marines from H.M.S. "Hawkins," who are remaining indefinitely.

Unrest is reported from Fouchow and Amoy.

Japan Sends Destroyers.

TOKYO, June 16. The Navy Office states that four destroyers are leaving Sasebo for Shanghai, this evening.

Further Moscow Sympathy.

Moscow, June 16.

The Chinese residents in Moscow held a meeting of protest against the measures taken to protect foreigners against the Chinese rioters in Shanghai. Subsequently they marched in procession along Vorovsky Street, where most of the Foreign Missions are situated to make a demonstration.

The Soviet militia had previously been stationed outside the British and Japanese Missions and the gathering finally dispersed.

Another Chinese Protest.

Hankow, June 16.

The Commissioner for Foreign Affairs has protested to the British Consul regarding the firing on the mob. He says the firing was unnecessary and holds the Consul personally and the officer who ordered the firing, to be responsible therefor. He requests the withdrawal of the Naval contingent and that orders should be given to refrain from firing in future.

The Consul replied yesterday evening that the protest was not reasonable and without foundation in fact. He corrects erroneous statements contained in the protest. He says that the firing was most necessary in view of the danger of foreign lives and property in the Concession, particularly following the serious damage already done by the rioters and the murder of a Japanese the same evening. He also states that fire was opened only as a last resort and even then was most restricted.

Hankow Plot.

Shanghai, June 16.

Though Consular telegrams state that the situation at Hankow to-day is distinctly improved, reports from other sources indicate that there was considerable danger of a fresh outbreak on Sunday night, when disquiet-

KING ALFRED'S LEGS.

AN "IRRITATING" PICTURE.

In the House of Commons Mr. Sandeman (U. Middleton and Prestwich) asked the Under-Secretary for the Home Department, as representing the First Commissioner of Works, whether, on account of its irritating effect on members, he would remove the painting of Alfred inciting the Saxons to prevent the landing of the Danes, from Committee-room No. 10.

Mr. G. Locker-Lampson (Under-Secretary, Home Office): I am not aware that the picture in question has had such an effect on members as described.

Mr. Sandeman: Will the hon. gentleman contemplate the legs of King Alfred; after having done that, will he try to concentrate on the work that is going on in the Committee-room; and, having come to the same conclusion as I have, will he have the picture put to the other end of the room or elsewhere, or would he like to go down to posterity with legs on him such as those on King Alfred? ("Hear, hear," and laughter.)

Mr. Locker-Lampson: I looked at the picture myself this morning. I do not know if the hon. member realises that it is a very fine example of the early work of Watts, one of our most distinguished artists.

Mr. Macquisten (U. Argyllshire): Will the hon. gentleman consider the advisability of getting a picture painted at the other end of the room showing the members for Glasgow resisting the invasion of the Irish into Scotland? (Loud laughter.)

Mr. N. Maclean (Lab. Soc., Govan): Will the Under-Secretary consider the putting of another picture on the side wall showing the member for Argyllshire being rejected by Glasgow at an election? (Renewed laughter.)

No reply was given.

MUSIC OF SANDS.

RACE ON A RUNAWAY CAMEL.

Reference to the curious sound of desert lands known as the "Music of the Sands" was made by Major-General Sir Percy Cox in a lecture on "Some Excursions in Oman," which he delivered before the Royal Geographical Society. Sir Percy made two journeys in Oman while serving as Political Agent of the Government of India, and he was the first European to traverse some of the ground he covered. He first heard the music of the sands, he said, while the caravan toiled up and down the sand dunes. It was like the booming of a great organ in the distance and to one hearing it for the first time an extraordinary phenomenon.

Sir Percy described an exciting camel race he had with the pilot of his party. "My camel," he said, "was fresh, and in trying to pull her up the headstring came away with me into the blue. Sitting as I was behind the hump, according to the approved method of riding in Oman, I could do nothing to stop her, and I was fully occupied in keeping my seat and holding on to my sketching case, compass, etc., and trying to ward off mimosa thorns. The direction she was taking was at right angles to our line of route, and if in my wild career I had happened upon a strange bedouin encampment it might have gone hard with me. I could only just reach the camel's cheek or neck with the end of my riding cane, and the best I could do was to keep her more or less on a wide circular course by poking at her neck and head her off. I was somewhat exhausted my clothes torn, and face and hands badly scratched with thorns, but I was otherwise none the worse. I did not offer to race any more, however."

WHERE THE RAIN DID ITS WORST.



Photo by Mee Fong.

Wongneichong village showing the hills in the distance behind. In the near background are some new buildings. Closest to the camera are the ruins of houses demolished by the deluge of 1923.

ing rumours that the Chinese garrison was likely to desert and join the rioters in firing on the foreign guards and in looting the Concessions was called to the attention of the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs and other officials by the American Consul.

The officials admitted that they possessed credible information that students and agitators, armed with ammunition and bombs intended to approach the lines, on the Sunday night, and fire on the Chinese Garrison troops and foreign guards in order to make each side think it had been attacked by the other, thereby precipitating a clash between the Chinese and foreign armed forces. The officials also admitted that the report that Kuomintang agitators were paying the troops to desert was probably correct.

Precautionary steps agreed upon between the American Consul and the Chinese officials apparently had the fortunate result of frustrating the agitators' plan.

Many Kuomintang agitators were arrested in Hankow, on Sunday, in possession of arms and ammunition.

A crowd of youths were playing football on the village green on Sunday afternoon when the vicar passed. Calling one of the delinquents to his side, the clergyman said, "William, I'm ashamed of you. Playing football on Sunday. Whatever would your father say?"

"Well, sir," replied William modestly, "you can go and ask him. He's always told us to play football on Sunday."

SONS OF CLERGY.

APPEAL FOR LIVING WAGE.

The barricading of the lanterns and transepts at St. Paul's seriously embarrassed the enormous congregation for one of the Cathedral's most historic services. The corporation of the Sons of the Clergy, instituted in the time of Charles II, has maintained its annual festival practically without a break since yesterday's was the 27th. The Lord Mayor and Sheriff attended in State in the midst of a considerable throng, and were escorted to the temporary altar with the Archbishop of Canterbury by the Bishop of London, the Dean and Chapter, the College of Minor Canons, the Festival Stewards, and members of the Festival Committee. One of the features of a moving and impressive service, which has become almost prescriptive by antiquity and repetition, was a new anthem specially composed by Mr. Stanley Marchant, Mus. D., and performed by an augmented choir of 200 voices, accompanied by organ and orchestra. It consists of a bold and scholarly setting of the hymn,

"Ye holy angels bright," by Richard Baxter, the seventeenth-century divine, who wrote "The Saint's Everlasting Rest," and is rich in proclamatory and exhortatory passages.

For the annual special sermon, delivered by Canon Guy Rogers, the Vicar of Birmingham, the preacher took as his text the concluding verse of Corinthians II, "There we labour and travail for our sake."

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

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49—FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

50—St. Albans *Atsuta Maru*51—N.Y.K. *Mitsubusa Maru*52—N.Y.K. *Aki Maru*53—N.Y.K. *Tanda*54—N.Y.K. *Tango Maru*55—N.Y.K. *Asafura*56—N.Y.K. *Araura*57—N.Y.K. *Aki Maru*58—O.P.S. *Empress of Asia*59—O.P.S. *Tree McKinley*60—O.P.S. *West Ivan*61—O.P.S. *Empress of Canada*62—O.P.S. *Pres. McKinley*63—O.P.S. *Empress of Russia*64—O.P.S. *Tanda*65—O.P.S. *Empress of Asia*66—O.P.S. *Empress of Canada*67—O.P.S. *Empress of Los Angeles*68—U.S.S.B. *West Ivan*69—U.S.S.B. *West Chophaka*70—U.S.S.B. *West Cardenas*71—U.S.S.B. *West Cavite*72—U.S.S.B. *West Zebulon*

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QUICK CLEAN HEALING

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A receiver has been appointed for the Fung Chow Co., Inc., of New York, formerly one of the largest domestic manufacturers of mah-jongg sets. The company encountered financial troubles with the advent of the cross-word puzzle craze, which resulted in a decline of interest in mah-jongg.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for last week shows 1 Chinese case of small-pox, 8 cases of enteric fever (1 English and 2 Indian), 2 cases of paratyphoid fever (1 American and 1 Chinese), and 5 fatal Chinese cases of cerebo-spinal fever (3 imported).

A District Court Martial will assemble at Murray Barracks, at 10 am, to-morrow for the trial of Duffadar Daulat Khan, Hongkong Mule Corps and Private George Webb, 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment. The President of the Court will be Major R. C. Campbell, 1st Battalion, the East Surrey Regiment.

The American Consul-General at Hongkong is authority for the estimate that a sum equal to 250,000,000 silver dollars is sent annually to that British Colony by Chinese living overseas as remittances to relatives, investments, and for the fulfilment of obligations. Another estimate reckons a total of \$100,000,000 in remittances from Cantonese abroad to Canton. Swatow is believed to receive annually about \$30,000,000, and Amoy \$20,000,000. American contributions to missionary and other philanthropic work in China are said to aggregate at least \$25,000,000 a year. The maintenance of foreign diplomatic missions, foreign men of war in Chinese waters, foreign expeditions, forces, and foreign shipping in China probably amounts to \$20,000,000 a year. Tourists' expenditures annually may be reckoned at about \$10,000,000. The aggregate of these invisible imports would probably net at least \$300,000,000 silver dollars per annum. To this sum must be added the investments of foreign capital in business enterprises in China.

Great excitement prevailed in Liverpool Chinatown on May 9, when plain-clothes police swooped down in motor-vans on three separate premises in connection with alleged gunning offences. Five Chinese and another coloured man were taken into custody.

At the opening on May 16 of the Printing Trades' International Exhibition in London Prince Henry referred to the presence of visitors from China and Japan, and said that printing ranked in importance as the sixth industry in this country.

Everything served at a luncheon given on May 18 at the House of Commons by Lieutenant-Commander A. C. Rawson to inaugurate an Empire shopping week in Brighton and Hove, was produced within the British Empire. Singapore was represented by tapioca, Malaya by preserved ginger.

Writing of queer ways of reckoning time, a correspondent mentions an interesting custom that prevails in the Philippine Islands, where they reckon distances in cigarettes. If you ask a Filipino how far such-and-such a place is, he will reply: "Senor, it is so many cigarrillos." If it is one cigarette, you may reckon it at five minutes walk.

The last Annual Report of the Missions to Seamen records encouraging progress at Shanghai and Hongkong as well as in over 100 other ports of the world; and it concludes: "In looking back at the steady and continuous growth of our work we may indeed thank God and take courage for the future. But we are also most fully aware that no executive growth can be obtained except at the cost of pain and stress... At this very moment we are considering plans for even greater extension and the opening up of new fields of work." Statistics are given showing that 670,488 seamen availed themselves of the Society's Institutes for Social Entertainment and Ambulance classes as well as Religious Service during last year.

"Not guilty," said a deaf prisoner at the Old Bailey when asked if he had any money.

The annual general meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club is to be held on Friday next at 6 p.m.

St. Paul's Fund now totals £218,763. No donations from the Far East have been acknowledged this week (May 21).

"What, and me been here all these times," exclaimed a woman prisoner at Walthamstow, when the magistrate said he did not know her.

Our Finance and Commerce column give particulars of a proposed winding-up resolution in connection with Pantai Ltd., Singapore.

"Pity poor pedestrians," exclaimed the Highgate magistrate. "They can't walk on the roads because of motors, and now cyclists come on to the footway."

"Some people calculate dates from important events in their lives. In Yorkshire, for instance, they calculate by the date of the St. Leger," remarked counsel at Clerkenwell County Court.

The May issue of The Architects' Journal contains a well-illustrated account of the magnificent premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at Shanghai, of which it is said "the materials for the building have been obtained from all parts of the world, and the crafts and trades of all have been employed."

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THE CORONET

The Shanghai stork has not gone on strike, at least not at Dr. Anne Walter Fearn's Hospital, 30 Route Pinchon, French Concession, where three babies were born yesterday morning (June 8). They were a son to the Rev. and Mrs. Clifford M. Drury of the Community Church; a daughter to Prof. and Mrs. L. H. Schultz of St. John's University and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. N. W. E. Clarke. Mr. Clarke is Assistant Engineer in the Public Works Department of the Municipality. It was reported yesterday that an attempt was made by members of the Students' Union to induce the Chinese staff at Dr. Fearn's Hospital to strike, but up to yesterday they were still on the job.

CLASS WAR EVIL.

MR. J. H. THOMAS'S STRONG PROTEST.

"THERE IS NO CLASS."

The Prime Minister (the Right Hon. Stanley Baldwin, M.P.) and the ex-colonial Secretary (the Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, M.P.)—the one formerly a director of, and the other an engine-cleaner on, the railway—were the principal speakers at a complimentary luncheon at which the chairman (Viscount Churchill) and the directors of the Great Western Railway entertained their old colleagues at Claridge's Hotel. Mr. Baldwin sat on the chairman's right and Mr. Thomas on his left.

Proposing the health of the Prime Minister, the Chairman ended a glowing tribute with the words: "Mr. Baldwin, we are proud of you." They had, he said, only one regret that Mr. Baldwin's father, once chairman of the Great Western Railway, whose kindly and sympathetic nature, coupled with his simple sense of duty and sound commonsense endeared him to all, had not been spared to enjoy that just sense of pride which they all felt for the Prime Minister; they were proud, too, that another Great Western man, Mr. J. H. Thomas, had occupied with such great credit the important post of Secretary of State for the Colonies.

The Prime Minister, thanking Lord Churchill warmly for his tribute to his father, said: "My father and I were the greatest friends that ever lived. I was born and bred on the Great Western Railway," continued Mr. Baldwin.

"I must have been getting into years of maturity before I ever travelled on, or realised that there was any other railway system in Great Britain. My friend, Jim Thomas, was a fireman on our railway, and has qualified himself before the eyes of the world to occupy the position of a Secretary of State,

and not only that, but to fill it in a manner that filled us all at home with pride and satisfaction, and made everybody in the Dominions feel that they had in him a man who understood them, and was prepared to do all in his power to bring together the different parts of the Empire and develop that great heritage for the benefit of the ordinary people throughout the world."

Mr. J. H. Thomas, proposing the health of the chairman and directors of the Great Western Railway, said: "There is a lot of talk to-day about class bitterness, class hatred, and class superiority. I not only dissociate myself from that, but I join issue with it. This gathering to-day is in itself a sufficient answer. Your honoured guest started on the Great Western as a director, bearing a revered name, and determined that the greatest contribution he could make was to follow in the footsteps of a father whose character was esteemed and whose work was appreciated by all. I started on the Great Western Railway as a cleaner at 7s. a week. It is true that I once had a strike on the Great Western, not for more wages, but because they were allowing us 5oz. of tallow to clean our engines, and I thought 10z. was the minimum quantity. (Laughter.) With English good sense, I was not dismissed, but I believe we compromised; and 10z. of tallow was not only won, but, I believe, is in existence to-day." (Laughter.)

Illustrating the moral of this story, Mr. Thomas said: "A fortnight ago I addressed a meeting in Glasgow. The gentleman entrusted with the moving of a resolution thought he would encourage me by saying, 'I want to make it perfectly clear that all those who associate with Mr. Baldwin are traitors to their class.' 'Gentlemen,' I said, 'when I got up immediately afterwards, I introduce myself as a traitor to my class. My moral is this: Whatever may be the political difference in this country, however much your Prime Minister and myself may find ourselves arguing, quarrelling if you like, across the floor of the House of Commons, I feel like him, that when this country is passing through not only a difficult, but a dangerous stage, when folks talk to me about the cost of the dole and a financial burden to the country that is in itself staggering, that is secondary to the moral deterioration of our people. (Cheers.) You cannot have men of 18, 19, and 20 years of age, whose brains are very much like a sponge ready to soak up evil as well as good, walking the streets day after day without a moral deterioration. Those of us who value the future of our race gravely regard the prospects of their being the fathers of the next generation."

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STORM INFERNO.

TONGUES OF FLAME ESCAPE.

SAVED BY RUBBER?

Two Deal men had three marvellous escapes from death during a terrific thunderstorm which they encountered while travelling on a motor-lorry from London to Deal last month. The lightning wrecked a village school and tore great holes in the hard, tarred roadway. "We ran into the storm," said Parker, "near Boughton Hill—one of the steepest in Kent—seven miles from Canterbury. Torrential rain fell. We both served in the war, and the thunder was as bad as any bombardment. It put the wind up us, and how we escaped destruction is a mystery. The noise was appalling; the rain water-rushed down the hill like a river; the thunder was so deafening that we could not hear our engine or hear one another shout."

"At the foot of the hill we were alarmed by seeing what seemed to be a ball of fire drop into the centre of the roadway about six yards ahead of us and explode with a terrific roar. It was like the bursting of an immense bomb."

"When we were half-way up the hill a gigantic flash of lightning zigzagged down the hill like a huge live wire. I seemed to travel on the top of the water, which screamed down the hill in torrents. It came straight along towards

the bonnet of our lorry, and we thought it was all up with us. The whole hillside became brilliantly illuminated. When the flash reached us it suddenly disappeared."

"Possibly we owed our escape to the fact that our tyres were of solid rubber, which may have insulated us, in spite of the fact that they were wet."

"Our third and most providential escape occurred at the top of the hill immediately opposite the village school in Boughton. Here a still bigger fish of lightning darted towards us."

"There was a deafening report followed by a dense cloud of brown smoke." When this smoke cloud dispersed we saw that the village school had been struck, and the front of the building damaged as if by shrapnel.

"The time was then about 4.30 p.m., and thinking that some of the scholars and teachers might still be sheltering from the storm and in need of help, we shut off our engine and climbed over the wreckage to the schoolroom, where we discovered that the children had all left. The only persons in the building were a schoolmaster and a caretaker, who were unharmed."

"Inside the school all was confusion; windows were smashed and broken glass was strewn on the floor; window frames had been wrenched out, and lay smashed inside and outside the building."

"Decks had been upset, and heavy furniture hurled about the room, and masses of masonry lay about. Had the scholars been in the school there would have been serious loss of life."—*Daily Express.*

PHANTOM BURGLAR.

COMEDY OF VIGIL OF 30 POLICE.

Thirty police spent a night surrounding a large factory at the junction of Clerkenwell-road and Farringdon-road, E.C., in the belief that burglars were inside. Not until the morning did they discover that there was no burglar, and that a resourceful checker employed at the factory had been mistaken for one.

The checker, Mr. Humphreys, closed the factory on the Wednesday evening, and then found that he had left the keys of the door on the inside. A friend who was with Mr. Humphreys climbed in at an open window, secured the keys, and the pair went home.

But a woman had seen the climbing man, thought of thives, and informed the police. They surrounded the building, but could not get in to search, as the man with the keys could not be found.

They decided to "sit it out." At 8 a.m. the man with the keys arrived and explained the situation to 30 tired and hungry policemen who were not amused.

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MR. BALDWIN ON ART.

EARLY DAYS IN HIS UNCLE'S STUDIO.

Mr. Baldwin, the Prime Minister, presiding at the Artists' General Benevolent Institution dinner at Princess Restaurant, Piccadilly, spoke of his close associations in childhood with his uncle, the late Sir Edward Poynter, for many years President of the Royal Academy—in Wood-lane, then a little rustic lane which ended in Wormwood Scrubs, in the country beyond. He added:

"I was brought up in the smell of turpentine. I do not know how many tubes of white paint I have squeezed on to the palette, and I remember the cry of joy when I was given a large brush and allowed to make my contribution to Atlanta's Race. (Laughter.)

On looking back I often wonder at his kindness, and I wonder whether artists of the present generation encourage their small nephews to run about their studios and poke behind canvases and squeeze out tubes of many colours on the palette.

Mr. Baldwin then spoke of his other uncles who were associated with the great art, and how he came into contact in those early years with Mr. William Morris and Mr. William De Morgan.

It is strange (he said) to look back upon those days, and to remember that atmosphere of art, of culture, of wit, and humour, and to recognise what one owes to them. One learned it having the privilege in youth of mixing with men like that, and with their friends, lessons of inestimable value for after life, even for one who had taken a part himself in a different career, and who, owing to a strange concatenation of circumstances finds himself today Prime Minister.

I learned all unconsciously from them the value of work. The men I speak of were workmen first and foremost. (Cheers.)



Brig.-Gen. William Mitchell, who recently testified before the Congressional Committee investigating America's air defences. The Assistant Chief of Army Air Service is shown holding a piece of armour plate, the result of an air bomb, after he illustrated with the toy planes how only 19 pursuit planes are available to patrol both the Atlantic and Pacific Coast lines, over 6,000 miles of territory. This also includes island possessions.

LONDON GIRL'S FATE.

CHINESE BOY ARRESTED FOR MURDER.

Wong Fung Sing, a Chinese boy at Vancouver, who was abducted on March 20 by five masked men as a sequel to the murder last September of Jane Smith, a 22-years-old domestic servant, was found wandering in a park at Vancouver.

He stated that he was kept confined in a cave and continually questioned to throw light on the dead of the girl. At first he refused to answer, but later, it is alleged, made admissions to his abductors.

He was then released, being taken to the park blindfolded, and the police were notified where-to find him.

When told that he would be charged with murder Wong asked who laid the charge. When informed that it was the head of the British Columbia police force, the Chinese said nothing.

But a woman had seen the climbing man, thought of thives, and informed the police. They surrounded the building, but could not get in to search, as the man with the keys could not be found.

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NEW BANK.

OLD FEATURES TO BE RETAINED.

The directors of the Bank of England have, in conjunction with their architect, Mr. Herbert Baker, decided upon the scheme for reconstruction.

The "blind" outer wall that the Bank presents is to be entirely retained, except for a slight alteration to the entrances of the Lombard front. But nearly the whole of the interior is to be reconstructed.

Next, perhaps, to the outside walls, Lombard-court, with its colonnades and great arches leading to the bullion court, is best known to the public, and its chief feature it has been found possible to incorporate in the new building and it will continue as a driving way to the Treasury and its vaults.

In the centre of the new Bank a large open court will carry on the idea of the garden court, which at present gives such charm and distinction to the old building.

The precincts of the Governor and directors in the enlarged Bank will consist for the greater part of the same or similar sequence of corridors and anterooms leading to the old committee and the court room, where the directors have held their courts for so many generations. But they will be raised to the first floor because of the better lighting.

Elsewhere the little known but beautiful treasury, and other rooms and lobbies, will, it is hoped, be reconstructed, and it has been found possible to embody in the plan the existing Princes-street entrance.

In the general aspect the public from surrounding streets will see rising some 50ft. above the existing wall and the top-lighted Bank halls which it screens, the high facades of the new building.

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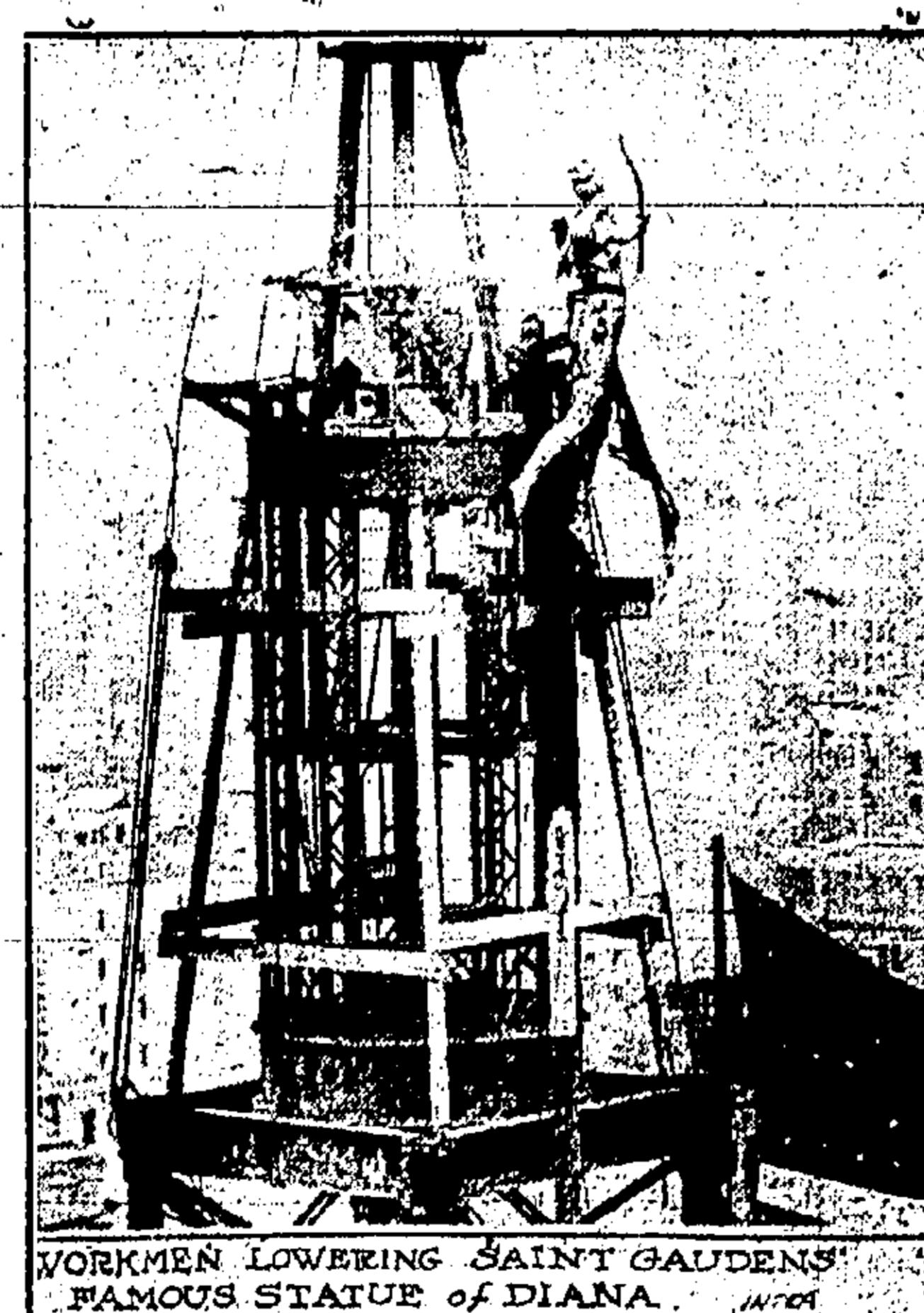
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This embrace took place when Mrs. Julie Graf Shepherd, arraigned in a Chicago Court as an accessory to the murders of William McClinton and his mother, was confronted with her husband, William D. Shepherd, held without bail for the same murders.

DIANA COMES DOWN TO EARTH.



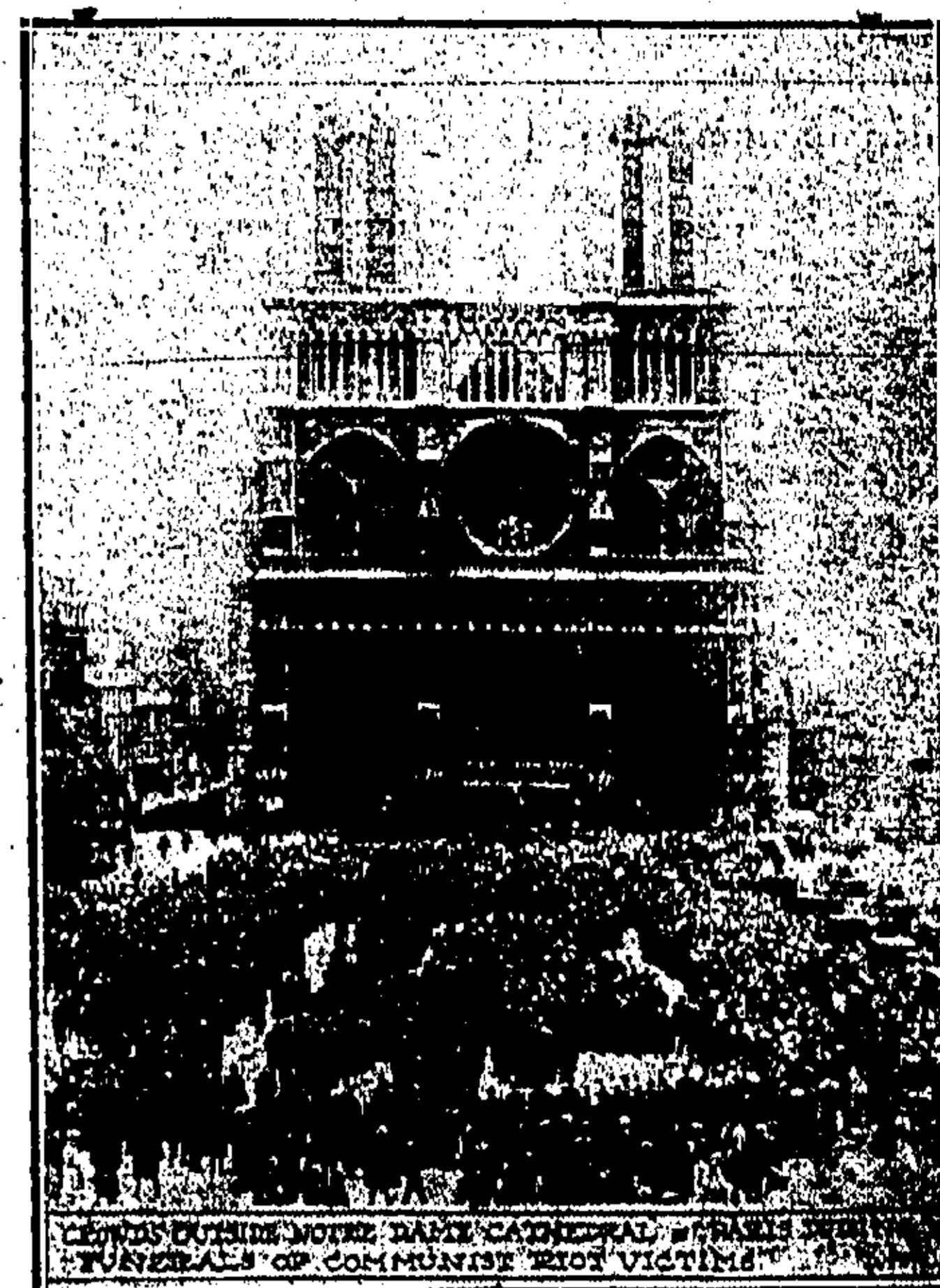
The lowering of Saint-Gaudens' famous statue of Diana, that has for thirty years stood at the top of the tower of Stanford White's masterpiece, Madison Square Garden, famous for boxing bouts, conventions and circuses, brought wistful memories to the eyes of a crowd of old-timers who watched the proceedings reverently from Madison Square. Diana will not be lost, however, as New York University will re-erect the famous tower with the statue above it on the campus. Photo shows the statue as it started its descent, with New York's skyline in the background.

Sky Champ.



Lieutenant J. R. Kyle, of the naval aviation staff, was chief pilot on the heavy U. S. Navy seaplane "PN-9" that recently broke all endurance records by remaining in the air twenty-eight hours and thirty-eight minutes over Philadelphia, in preparation for a flight from the west coast to Honolulu, shattering the previous record by nearly fourteen hours. The flight consumed 1,300 gallons of gas and 150 gallons of oil.

FUNERAL OF REDS' VICTIMS.



Government officials, Generals, and other prominent personages attended the impressive funeral services in the Cathedral of Notre Dame, at Paris, for the four victims shot dead in the Communist riots. Thousands, unable to enter the cathedral, stood outside with bowed heads during the ceremonies.

NOTABLES IN THE NEWS.

In Uniform.



Field Marshal von Hindenburg

Field Marshal von Hindenburg, newly-elected President of the German Republic, was greatly agitated over the question of his uniform, not knowing whether he should wear it as Field Marshal or discard it as President. This most recent photo shows him reviewing troops parading in his honour immediately before his election.



Gerrard Winston, Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury, sailing for home from Paris, declared Joseph Caillaux, now Minister of Finance, is the man to unsnarl France's money problems.

Col. George Harvey, former Ambassador to Great Britain, editor of a Washington newspaper, plans to abandon journalism. Lord Milner was stricken with sleeping sickness on his estate near Canterbury. J. Philip Bird, of Plainfield, was chosen president of the Manufacturers' Association of New Jersey.



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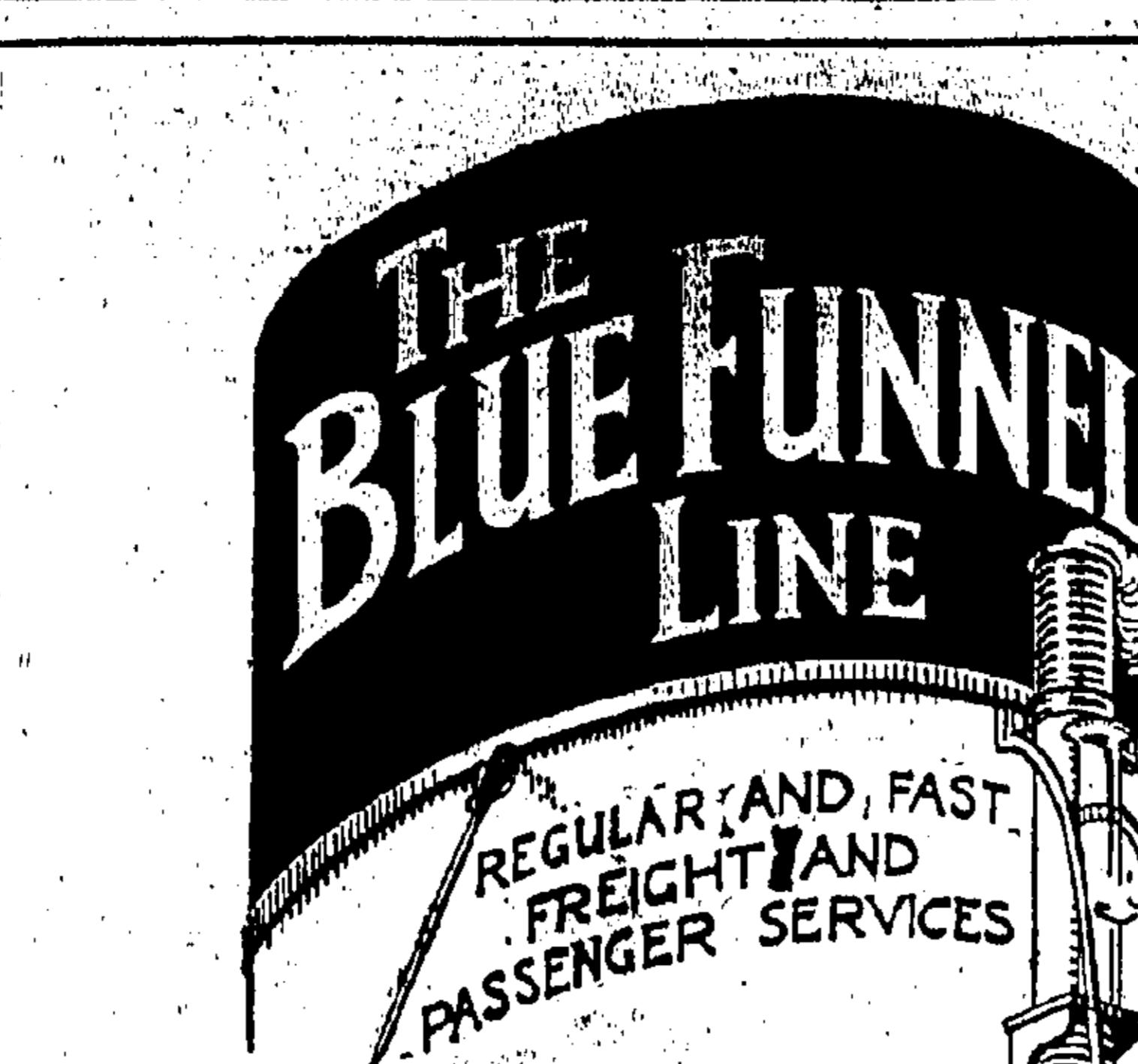
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The transmission of Radio telegrams to Canton has been resumed.

The daily morning mail for Canton will be resumed from to-morrow, Wednesday, the 17th inst.

Radio-Telegrams to Canton can now be accepted for transmission at Fender's Risk.

Telegraphic Communication with Wangan Libthonson is interrupted.

INWARD MAIRS.

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Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai		Pres. McKinley	
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Straits		Japure	9.30 a.m.
Japan		Aki Maru	9.30 a.m.
Java and Formosa		Koku Maru	10.10 a.m.
Java via Batavia		Timanac	10.30 a.m.
Weihaiwei		Kuelchow	12.30 p.m.
Manile		Pres. Motley	2.30 p.m.
Swatow		Hydrangea	3.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, JUNE 19.			
Japan		Macassar Maru	10.30 a.m.
Strait		Van Overstraeten	11.30 a.m.
Java		Haihong	Noon.
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Sunda		Hakutan Maru	10.30 a.m.
Jiawab and Bangkok		Hinhang	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow			
MONDAY, JUNE 22.			
Swatow		Kiagan	9 a.m.
Amoy		Houz Maru	9 a.m.
TUESDAY, JUNE 23.		Kingyang	10.30 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok		Fookhang	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Yathing	10.30 a.m.
MONDAY, JUNE 22.		Hatching	Noon.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow			
THURSDAY, JUNE 25.			
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central and South America, and EUROPE via Vancouver, B.C. 11th July - Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 9th June 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.			
FRIDAY, JUNE 26.			
Strait, Amoy and Foochow		Haining	8.30 p.m.
Strait, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles due Marseilles 20th July Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.			
STRADDA			
Wednesday, JUNE 27.			
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island - due Thursday 8th July Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.			
STRADDA			
THURSDAY, JUNE 28.			
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central and South America, and EUROPE via Vancouver, B.C. 11th July - Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 9th June 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.			
FRIDAY, JUNE 29.			
Strait, Amoy and Foochow		Haining	8.30 p.m.
Strait, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles due Marseilles 20th July - Parcels 4 p.m. Registration 10th June 9.30 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.			
STRADDA			
Wednesday, JUNE 30.			
Strait, Amoy and Foochow		Abu	9 p.m.
STRADDA			

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous Day	On date at 8 a.m.	On date at 3 p.m.
Barometer	29.78	29.79
Temperature	75	75
Humidity	76	76
Direction of Wind	N	N
Force	0	0
Weather	Cloudy	Cloudy
Wind	10.16	0.00

Correspondence bearing names only.

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of any crime, but with over-
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of a noble hearted woman
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